

APPENDIX A: VISION ZERO RESOLUTION

TOWN of HIGHLAND
Town Council Resolution No. 2024-31

A RESOLUTION of the TOWN of HIGHLAND
ADOPTING A VISION ZERO POLICY.

WHEREAS, the life and health of all persons living and traveling within the *Town of Highland* are our utmost priority, and no one should die or be seriously injured while traveling on our streets;

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is the concept that traffic deaths and serious injuries on our roadways are unacceptable;

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is a holistic strategy aimed at eliminating all traffic fatalities and severe injuries suffered by all road users while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all;

WHEREAS, streets and transportation systems have traditionally been designed primarily to move motorists efficiently, and Vision Zero supports a paradigm shift by designing streets and transportation systems to move all people safely, including people of all ages and abilities, pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit users, and motorcyclists, as well as drivers and passengers of motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, Vision Zero recognizes that people will sometimes make mistakes, so the road system and related policies should be designed to ensure that those inevitable mistakes do not result in severe injuries or fatalities; therefore, transportation planners and engineers and policymakers are expected to improve the roadway environment, policies, and other related systems to lessen the severity of crashes;

WHEREAS, making streets safer for all people using all modes of transportation will promotes people to travel on foot, by bicycle, and by public transit, which supports a healthier, more active lifestyle and reduces environmental pollution;

WHEREAS, successful Vision Zero programs are a result of both a complete government approach (i.e., interdepartmental, coordinated initiatives) and community support of Vision Zero objectives and action plans;

WHEREAS, Vision Zero resolutions have been adopted by many

jurisdictions across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Vision Zero resolution is a required component of the Safe Streets and Roads for All Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Vision Zero resolution sets forth a goal of reducing serious and fatal crashes by 40% by the year 2040; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana:

1. That the 2024 Vision Zero Resolution is hereby approved.
2. That any prior action taken by the Town of Highland Clerk Treasurer or any staff necessary in connection with the items approved herein is hereby ratified and adopted as actions on behalf of the Town of Highland.
3. The *Town of Highland* adopts the Vision Zero policy makes it part of this Resolution, effective immediately.
4. The *Town of Highland* Clerk shall certify the adoption of this Resolution, effective immediately, by the Town Council of Highland.

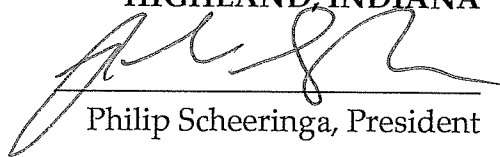
DULY RESOLVED and ADOPTED this 9th Day of December 2024, by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, having been passed by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.



Attest:

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer

**TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN of
HIGHLAND, INDIANA**


Philip Scheeringa, President